## **REMARKS**

In the Office Action dated October 22, 2007, claims 2 and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,056,059 (Ohmer).

Applicant acknowledges the indication of allowability of claims 3, 5-11, 30-39, and 42-49, and the indication that claims 28 and 29 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. It is believed that the Examiner intended to object to dependent claims 30 and 33, but to otherwise indicate these claims as containing allowable subject matter.

Claims 28-30 and 33 have each been written into independent form to place them in condition for allowance. The scope of each such claim has not been changed.

Claims 2 and 27 have been cancelled, without prejudice.

Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504 (SHL.0102US).

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